

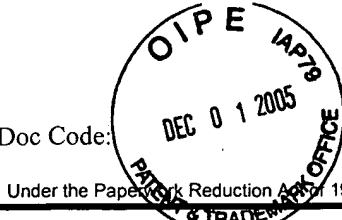
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# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Application Number	10/666,066
Filing Date	September 18, 2003
First Named Inventor	Abdel-Dayem, Bassam A.
Art Unit	3724
Examiner Name	Choi, Stephen
Attorney Docket Number	RM590

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

## 1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Petition for Extension of Time - 37 CFR 1.136(a)

## 2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, any underpayment of fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-0617. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 455.00 enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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Application No.:	10/666,066	Group Art Unit:	3724
Filed:	September 18, 2003	Attorney Docket:	RM590
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**APPLICANT'S SUBMISSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.114 IN SUPPORT OF REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Dear Examiner Choi:

In response to your Office Action mailed August 5, 2005, Applicant requests continued examination pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 132(b) and 37 CFR 1.114.

As set forth in 37 CFR 1.114(a), an applicant may request continued examination of an application by filing a submission and the requisite fee prior to the earliest of (1) payment of the issue fee; (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit or the commencement of a civil action. As none of the above matters have yet occurred, Applicant's Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is timely and proper. Further, Applicant's RCE is proper because prosecution in the subject utility application is closed, as the last Office Action of August 5, 2005 is a final action. Also please find the attached RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e).

Please amend the application as follows:

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